STATE OF MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

December 12, 2000

360° LONG DISTANCE, INC. Request to Abandon Service Docket No. 2000-816

ORDER GRANTING AUTHORITY TO ABANDON SERVICE

ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
Petition for Finding of Public Convenience
and Necessity to Provide Service as a
Interexchange Telephone Utility as a Reseller
Docket No. 2000-817

ORDER GRANTING AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE INTEREXCHANGE SERVICE AS A RESELLER

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

On September 1, 2000, ALLTEL Communications, Inc. (ALLTEL) filed a letter requesting the Commission to "transfer" the authority (granted in Docket No. 97-009) of 360° Long Distance, Inc. to provide resold interexchange service to ALLTEL. ALLTEL is an affiliated interest of 360° Long Distance, Inc. Both companies are under the common ownership of ALLTEL Corporation, which is a holding company. This request constitutes both a request by 360° Long Distance, Inc. to abandon service and an application by ALLTEL for a finding of public convenience and necessity to provide the same service now being provided by 360° Long Distance, Inc.

ALLTEL has represented that the service, rate schedules and terms and conditions of the successor entity, ALLTEL Communications, Inc., will be identical to those of the public utility that is abandoning service, 360° Long Distance, Inc. At present, 360° Long Distance, Inc. has no customers in Maine. Accordingly, no notice to customers is necessary.

By this order we grant authority to ALLTEL to provide interexchange service as a reseller, subject to all provisions of the order in Docket No. 97-009 that granted authority to provide such service to 360° Long Distance, Inc. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, ALLTEL shall file a proposed schedule of rates, terms and conditions reflecting the corporate and name change.

Wherefore, we

ORDER

1. That the request, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1104, by 360° Long Distance, Inc. to abandon service is hereby granted;

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- 2. That the petition, filed pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 2102, of ALLTEL Communications, Inc. for a finding of public convenience and necessity to provide interexchange public utility telephone service as a reseller is hereby granted; ALLTEL shall be bound by and subject to all provisions, including the ordering paragraphs, of the order granting authority to 360° Long Distance, Inc. in Docket No. 97-009;
- 3. That, within 30 days following the date of this Order, ALLTEL Communications, Inc. shall file proposed rate schedules and terms and conditions containing the same rates, terms and conditions as the present tariff of 360° Long Distance, Inc.

Dated at Augusta, Maine this 12th day of December, 2000.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Dennis L. Keschl
Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch

Diamond

COMMISSIONER ABSENT: Nugent